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FM AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7627

INFO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT, LA

SUBJECT: STUDENT DEMONSTRATION STATUS REPORT

REF: VIENTIANE 996

1. SAVANNAKHET STUDENTS HELD "VICTORY PARADE" SATURDAY AND AGREED TO RETURN TO CLASSES ON WEDNESDAY. HOWEVER, STUDENT DEMAND FOR CLOSURE OF BOUN OUM'S CASINO IN SAVANNAKHET WAS NOT MET.

2. OVER WEEKEND, INFLAMMATORY LETTER FROM LAO STUDENTS IN BANGKOK WAS READ AT STUDENT MEETING IN VIENTIANE, BUT CITY REMAINED QUIET WITH NO DEMONSTRATIONS PLANNED.

3. IN LUANG PRABANG, STUDENTS ARE REPORTEDLY STILL PRESSING FOR DEMONSTRATION ON ECONOMIC CONDITIONS, WITH  
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POSSIBILITY OF SUPPORT FROM ABOUT 200 LOCAL TAXI DRIVERS.

PRIME MINISTER SENT TWO LETTERS FROM LAO STUDENT FEDERATION IN VIENTIANE TO LUANG PRABANG TO MEDIATE DEMANDS. SITUATION CALM AT THIS TIME.

4. WE ASSESS THAT, EXCEPT POSSIBLY FOR LUANG PRABANG, STUDENT DEMONSTRATIONS HAVE RUN THEIR COURSE FOR TIME BEING AS ATTENTION TURNS TO MANEUVERING OVER FORMATION OF PGNU. HOWEVER, IF SAVANNAKHET STUDENTS COME TO BELIEVE RLG NOT MOVING EXPEDITIOUSLY TO SATISFY STUDENT DEMANDS, DEMONSTRATIONS COULD ERUPT THERE AGAIN. LAO STUDENTS HAVE, FOR FIRST TIME, BECOME AWARE OF THEIR POTENTIAL POLITICAL POWER AND FAMILIAR WITH THE TACTICS BY WHICH THEY CAN EXERCISE IT.  
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